

REMARKS

Please reconsider the application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-7, 15-28 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-7 and 23-26 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 15-20, 27 and 28 are herein amended. Claims 8-13 are herein cancelled. No new matter has been presented.

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 15-19. Claims 1-7 and 15-28 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-7 and 23-26 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Applicant herein amends claims 15-19 with the allowable subject matter of claim 8. Claims 8-13 are herein cancelled. Further, Applicant amends claims 20, 27 and 28 to correct dependency thereof. No new matter has been entered.

In view of amendments owing to the incorporation of allowable subject matter in claims 15-19 and their dependent claims, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 is no longer viable. Therefore, Applicant submits that this amendment places the claims in the present application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that this paper is responsive to each and every ground of rejection cited in the Office Action dated March 8, 2010, and respectfully request favorable action in this application. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, applicants' attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of the present application.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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